

Board of Selectmen's Emergency Meeting
Monday, February 9, 2015

The Board of Selectmen held an Emergency Meeting on Monday, January 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. by telephone conference call with five selectpersons, the Town Administrator, and the Assistant Town Administrator.

6:34 pm Meeting Called to Order

Selectperson Murphy moved that the Board declare that this meeting was called as an emergency under the Open Meeting Law because of the significant snowfall of the past 24 hours, added to that of the past 14 days which resulted in the Governor's declaration of a state of emergency, the closure of the MBTA rail service, and an order for non-essential state personnel in Suffolk, Essex and other counties in Eastern Massachusetts to stay home tomorrow, as well as rendered difficult and dangerous regular passage on Town roads, crippled Town services, and created significant strain on Town personnel and budgets, the Board must meet as soon as possible to declare a local state of emergency in order to make the Town eligible for state and/or federal aid, and cannot post notice on or at the posting locations, meet at Town Hall, or otherwise comply with the notice requirements of the Open Meeting Law; and further, that the Board will limit its discussion to the emergency declaration requiring immediate attention; and further, that the Board will post a meeting to be held as soon as possible in compliance with the posting requirements of the Open Meeting Law for the purpose of ratifying, validating and confirming the action taken at this emergency meeting, including placing the minutes of this meeting on file with the Town Clerk and including them in the minutes of the meeting posted as required by law; and finally that the Board of Selectmen declare a state of emergency in the Town of Rockport as of 8:00 p.m. through February 10th at midnight, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, §31 a state of emergency exists throughout the Town. Selectperson Sheedy seconded, Vote: 5-0.

STATE OF
EMERGENCY
DECLARED

6:41 pm Meeting Adjourned

Selectperson Murphy moved to adjourn, seconded by Selectperson Battistelli, Vote: 5-0.

MEETING
ADJOURNED